

REMARKS

This Amendment is submitted preliminarily to the issuance of an Office Action in the above identified application.

With the present Amendment applicants have amended the specification to provide headings, in order to bring it in compliance with the requirements of the U.S. Patent Practice.

The original claims have been canceled and replaced with a new set of claims including claim 9 and 15, the broadest method claims, together with claims 10-14 which depend on claim 9, and claim 16 which depends on claim 15.

The claims have been drafted in accordance with the U.S. Patent Practice to more clearly define the present invention to distinguish it from the prior art.

Consideration and allowance of present application is most respectfully requested.

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Should the Examiner require or consider it advisable that the specification, claims and/or drawings be further amended or corrected in formal respects in order to place this case in condition for final allowance, then it is respectfully requested that such amendments or corrections be carried out by Examiner's Amendment, and the case be passed to issue. Any costs involved should be charged to the deposit account of the undersigned (No. 19-4675). Alternatively, should the Examiner feel that a personal discussion might be helpful in advancing this case to allowance, he is invited to telephone the undersigned (at 631-549-4700).

Respectfully submitted,


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In the specification:

On page 1, delete the heading "Description" and substitute
therefore -- BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION --.

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On page 3, in line 5, between lines 4 and 6, insert the following

heading -- SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION --.

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On page 5, in line 1, before line 2, please insert the following

heading -- BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS --.

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On page 5, in line 10, between lines 9 and 11, insert the

following heading -- DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

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